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# Indigo Shire



## FESTIVALS & EVENTS



**Opera in the Alps** *Jan*  
A star-studded line-up performs an evening of beautiful music under the stars in the picturesque grounds of LaTrobe at Beechworth.

**Yackandandah Folk Festival** *Mar*  
Sensational international and local artists perform across a range of musical styles at venues around gorgeous Yackandandah. Also features markets, workshops with the artists and buskers across the weekend.

**Beechworth Golden Horseshoes Festival** *Easter*  
Beechworth's biggest annual event features a spectacular Grand Parade led by a horse shod with real gold shoes, huge Easter craft fair and Paddy's Market, monster raffle, fun run, food court, live music, displays, Easter egg hunt with the Easter Bunny and much more.

**Beechworth Harvest Festival** *May*  
Celebrates and showcases the renowned food and wine of north-east Victoria. A gala dinner kicks off the weekend in fine style.

**Spring Migration** *Sept*  
Gay and Lesbian festival for all with events in Yackandandah, Beechworth and around the region. DJ's and dance parties, markets and much more.

**Celtic Festival** *Nov*  
A stirring celebration of the north-east's Celtic past featuring a gala dinner, concerts, parades, pipe bands, Highland and Irish dancing.

Beechworth and Yackandandah are two of Australia's best preserved Gold Era towns, renowned for their historic and natural attractions, fine restaurants, a flourishing wine industry, great shopping, superb local produce and an excellent range of accommodation options from Five Star luxury to modestly priced hotels and guest cottages. Beechworth's Historic and Cultural Precinct, which includes the Courthouse with its links to Ned Kelly and the Robert O'Hara

Burke Museum, is a must-visit attraction while the area's outstanding natural beauty offers endless opportunities for lovers of the great outdoors.

The area is also a cyclist's dream, with a dedicated mountain bike park offering a host of tracks to suit all levels and skills and the famous Murray to Mountains Rail Trail through the picturesque foothills of the Australian Alps.



## GREAT OUTDOORS

### Woolshed Falls

These waterfalls were the centre of Victoria's richest goldfields. The 1.2km walk lets you explore this historic and beautiful site where thousands of goldminers tried their luck.

### Murray to Mountains Rail Trail

The Murray to the Mountains Rail Trail is a perfect introduction to the diverse countryside of the region. The trail is sealed and has a gentle gradient making it suitable for all ages and levels of fitness. Rail trails follow old railway lines and are suitable for both cyclists and walkers.

### Gorge Walk

Just a short drive from Beechworth, the Gorge is home to some of the region's most spectacular scenery. Various trails through the gorge give stunning views over Woolshed Valley and lead you to points of interest.

### Mount Pilot

This National Park offers opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors your way. Explore the forest trails on your bike or climb to the summit of Mount Pilot for spectacular views. Winter when the ironbarks bloom is the best time to spot the birdlife and the park is home to several rare and threatened species.



## HERITAGE & CULTURE

### Famous for Ned Kelly

Beechworth has many links to this legendary bushranger. He was committed to stand trial for murder at the Beechworth Courthouse while Woolshed Valley, close to Beechworth, is also the site of several famous locations from the Kelly era.

### Ghost & Gold tours

Daily walking tours exploring Beechworth's history. The ghost tour visits the former Lunatic Asylum...what will you see?

### Historic & cultural precinct

Containing the Courthouse, Gold Office, Police lock-up, Police Stables and many other 19th century government buildings, Beechworth's precinct offers an amazing insight into life on the goldfields.

### Yackandandah Town walk

A High Street full of National Trust listed buildings, and a rich heritage from the gold rush days and Chinese miners, this walking tour is a must-do experience.

### Kirby's Flat Pottery

John Dermer is a gifted artist. His work is inspired by the Australian outback and each lovingly crafted piece displays his love of texture, light, shape and colour.



## FOOD & WINE

### Schmidt's Strawberry Winery

Located just out of Yackandandah, Schmidt's Winery produces liqueurs and wines which capture the essence of summer strawberries. Fresh strawberries are also available in season.



### Beechworth Bakery

Beechworth Bakery prides itself on quality, fresh, great tasting products. Souvenirs to remember your visit are also available.

### The Beechworth Sweet Co

Whether you love the finest quality handmade chocolates or crave the boiled lollies of your childhood, you'll find them here in one of Australia's largest sweet shops.

### Pedal to Produce Trail

Take to your bike and enjoy a gourmet cycling holiday through beautiful countryside. Visit wineries, farm gate stalls and quaint cafes. There are eight regional based maps available from the region's Visitor Information centres.



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